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ABSTRACT

United States Department of Defense Military Prime Contract File (MPCF) 1966-1975 [Machine-readable data file]\ Created by the Department. Washington, D.C.: The Department [Producer], 1966-1975; Washington, D.C.: The National Archives and Records Administration [Distributor].

TYPE OF FILE: Microdata. The units of observation are Department of Defense (DOD) contracts over \$10,000. There is one record for each contract for a total of 2,046,585 records.

UNIVERSE DESCRIPTION: The universe consists of all contracts awarded by DOD worth over \$10,000 between 1966-1975.

SUBJECT MATTER DESCRIPTION: The file contains information on contracts over \$10,000 awarded by DOD. The system was designed for use by DOD to provide procurement statistics for management as a means of control over supplies and services. Each record includes data about the contract (service or product supplied, date awarded, length of contract); the contractor (location, name, experience with DOD, small business, minority business, labor surplus area); and information about the DOD agency making the award (agency, award process used).

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION:

FILE STRUCTURE: Fixed length, non-hierarchical.

FILE SIZE: One data set per year from 1966-1975 for a total of ten datasets. There are 2,046,585 records of 270 characters each.

FILE SORT SEQUENCE: Arranged by contractor name, city, state and contractor number.

REFERENCE MATERIAL: Available from the Machine-readable Branch (NNSR) of the National Archives and Records Administration, this is a guide to the machine-readable data file. It contains an introduction, a record layout, coding sheets, and a sample printout.

FILE AVAILABILITY:

The file is available from:

Machine-readable Branch (NNSR)
National Archives and Records Administration
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